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## THE HOME DAYS.

When the golden rod has whispered,  
And the maple leaves are red,  
When the robin's nest is empty,  
And the cricket's prayers are said,  
In the silence and the shadow  
Of the swiftly hastening fall  
Come the dear and happy home days  
Days we love the best of all.

Then the house hold gathers early,  
And the fire light leaps and glows,  
Till the old earth in its brightness  
Wears the glory of the rose;  
Then the grandsire thinks of stories,  
And the children cluster sweet,  
And the floor is just a keyboard  
For the baby's pattering feet.

If the rain drops dance cotillions  
On the roof and on the eaves  
If the chill wind sweeps the meadows,  
Shorn and bare and bound in sheaves  
If the snowflakes come like fairies,  
Show in shoes of silence, we  
Only crowd the closer, closer  
Where the cheery kindred be.

Oh, the dear face of the mother,  
As she tucks the laddies in,  
Oh, the big voice of the father,  
Heard o'er all the merry din;  
Home, and happy homely loved ones,  
How they weave their spells around  
Heart and life and creed and memory  
In the farmstead holy ground.

When the goldenrod has faded,  
When the maple leaves are red,  
When the empty nest is clinging  
To the branches overhead;  
In the silence and the shadow  
Of the hurrying later fall  
Come the dear days, come the home  
Days,  
In the year the best of all.

—Margaret E. Sangster.

## Some Reflections on the Election.

The recent election which resulted in such an overwhelming victory for the Republican party, is replete with lessons for all who will open their eyes and receive them. I do not remember that any political event, except the election of "Honest Abe" in the presidency, and the Emancipation act, has been freighted with so much good for the whole people and particularly for the Negro, as this one.

Those whose limited visions have compelled them to doubt the righteousness of the foundation upon which the American people is being built, as well as those whose judgment has been suspended till after the election, must acknowledge that America stands for that which excites nations, and that "Our average fellow-citizen is a sane and healthy man, who believes in decency and has wholesome mind."

Not only is the election of Roosevelt proof of these assertions, but the fact that states are rising to that eminence where they make no hesitancy in stepping aside from their party when a better man is offered by another party. The tendency to do this was never more marked than in the recent election. Missouri, for instance, elected Mr. Folk, Democrat, for governor—those who have followed his fight against the bidders in St. Louis, recognized in Mr. Folk a kindred spirit to that of President Roosevelt. A Republican, whose name I do not now recall, was elected Prosecuting Attorney to succeed Mr. Folk. Mr. Roosevelt carried the state.

## PREJUDICE WANING.

Even the wisest of those who observed the arguments of Mr. Bryant and those other orators who dragged the "Negro Question" into prominence, must be a little surprised, agreeably so, however, that it cut not even its usual swath. The breaking of the "Solid South" and that, too, when money was not an issue, is, indeed, very significant. Herein lies much inspiration for the young Negro who has grown optimistic and faint-hearted. The voice of the people was stoutly declared in favor of men. It has disregarded party affiliations to reach them. It has boldly and unmistakably approved the Roosevelt policy which is set forth in the following words taken from his Labor Day speech at Syracuse, N. Y.

"We can keep our government on a sane and healthy basis, we can make and keep our social system what it should be, only on condition of judging each man, not as a member of a class but on his worth as a man. It is an infamous thing in our American life, and fundamentally treacherous to our personal worth, or to draw between two sets of men any distinction save the distinction of conduct, the distinction that mark off those who do well and wisely from those who ill and foolishly."

No comment is needed. It is evident that this Republican victory is a tri-

umph of righteousness, and many times blessed is he whose faith in God is strong enough to believe that such triumphs are within reach of every individual. There is that in righteousness, that will make its way upward in spite of the combination of all evil. It makes men respect and support it when they would not. It is not enough to simply want to be right, but 'tis enough to be right, and know it, and stand for it. We just can't help but love and push forward such people. Nor do we ever forget them. Certainly their perished form will return to the dust whence they came, but that which animated them will be a rich legacy from generation to generation.

## A WARNING.

There is some danger that such articles as this one may be wrongly construed. Many a man has been shrewdly wrecked because of him being misguided in his youth. I have strongly implied, and am very frank to say, that there is a point within reach of every man where he is recognized and dealt with as a man. But this point, let me say with equal frankness, is the result of patient industry, the caldron wherein are made heroes, true knights. This, I am aware, is the substance of an oft-quoted maxim, but only he falls who disregards it, but this very same thought which I am trying here to put forth, is so admirably and so much better put by President Roosevelt that I cannot resist the temptation to quote him again. This is taken from his speech in Chicago before the Hamilton Club, in 1899.

"I wish to preach not the doctrine of ignoble ease, but the doctrine of the strenuous life, the life of toil and effort, of labor and strife; to preach the highest form of success which comes not to the man who desires mere easy peace, but to the man who does not shrink from danger, from hardship, or bitter toil, and who out of these wins the splendid ultimate triumph."

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## THE B. Y. P. U. WORK.

To the Pastors and Presidents of the B. Y. P. U. of the State of Kentucky. Dear Brethren:—At our meeting held in Winchester at the First Baptist church, Rev. R. T. Huffman pastor.

We found after deep and thorough searching that the Union was in debt to Rev. G. W. Hampton, the State Organizer, the sum of \$120.00. At our last Board meeting held at the above named place in Broadway Baptist church Rev. Hampton agreed to give the Union one-half of this amount if we would make an effort to pay him in a reasonable time. I was requested to appeal to the several Unions throughout the State asking you to donate as much as you possibly could over \$1.00. I trust the secretary of the city union, Mr. Carter, will take notice and call a mass-meeting of the Union and together with the chairman, Mrs. W. M. Parker, see what can be done toward this matter. I trust every pastor will accept this open letter and feel as duty bound to help as if I had called in person. We anxious that this be a year of doing good and helping others to help themselves. The Moderator of the General Association, Rev. G. W. Ward, D. D., of Covington is with us and is one of us and he will do all in his power to help the good work on. This organization should be in every church. It tends to lift the young people and help them to read and understand the Bible, "The Book of books." We have in the field an energetic young man in the person of Rev. D. P. Jones, of Nicholasville. Any person may become a life member upon payment of \$1.00 or an annual member upon payment of 25 cents. Send your name and money to the secretary and receive credit for the same. In the near future we will publish the names of the members.

Yours in the Work,  
MATTIE V. DUFF,  
Cor. Sec'y of B. Y. P. U.

Somerset, Ky.

## WOMEN'S WORK.

Owing to a misunderstanding as to dates we failed to visit Paint Lick and Kirksville churches of which our faithful brother and friend Rev. W. D. Thompson of White Hall, is pastor, we left Richmond for Berea where Rev. T. R. Reed and Bro. E. D. Moran met us at the train. We spent the night at the pleasant home of Bro. Moran, this was possibly the saddest of all days at Berea for it was the opening of Berea College and the first time in its history that the door were closed against colored students. The colored people of that town who had moved there for the purpose of educating their children were indeed to be pitied, we could but sympathize with them in their great trial and express our gratitude to God for the foresight of our forefathers in establishing our own school, State University, where none can molest, none make us afraid.

Was unable to hold our meeting and hurriedly left for Jellico Tenn., to attend the Loudon District Association it was a long tiresome trip and we were delighted to meet on board our train Rev. R. B. Butler. All messengers were met by the Reception Committee and taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Enis Johnson who gave all a hearty welcome. We were assigned to our home, and never did we receive a more royal welcome. A large delegation was in attendance from all sections, dinners, suppers and breakfasts at the homes of Mesdames Johnson, Swatts, Bowles and Jenkins and every delicacy of the season served in abundance. The sessions were indeed interesting and services largely attended and greatly enjoyed by all. The election of officers was an interesting feature. Revs. G. W. Fish and H. Patterson were elected Moderators and A. B. H. McKee Secretaries. The sermon preached by Rev. R. B. Butler, Dr. C. P. M. Bigbee and I. Fuller deserves special mention. We have never heard either of the above named brethren preach in this section of Kentucky as they preached in the mountains and this was the consensus of opinion of all who heard them. Rev. J. B. Miller, the little David of Eastern Kentucky, is the honored pastor of Jellico church which so highly entertained the association and deserves great credit for the faithful service rendered and the great work done. We had the very great pleasure of being introduced to this Christian body of ministers on Friday night and presented our claims. The messengers, members and friends responded by giving a collection of \$18.10, including the \$3.00 given for annual membership viz.: Mrs. P. H. Clarke, Mrs. Sterling M. Jennie and Mr. Enis Johnson \$1.00 each. Rev. J. Francis Wilson and Bro. Bledsoe ably assisted us by disposing of 60 charts at 10 cents each during the service, thus adding \$5.00 more to the receipts making a total of \$18.10.

Over \$200.00 all told was raised during the sitting of this association, regret not to be able to publish the names of all who contributed but handed our list of name to secretary McKee to copy for his minute, who has as yet failed to have it returned to us. We are thankful to all who so liberally assisted us in this special collection. We spent Sunday night and part of Monday in the inviting home of Mr. and Mrs. Enis Johnson, who enjoy the distinction of being pioneer Baptists and who though but 15 years residents of Jellico seem to be fixtures in that thriving mountainous mining town. They are accumulating wealth as rapidly as they are friends and distinction. Adding all good-bys we were off at 2:10 p. m. for Middleboro and per appointment, found Rev. H. C. Turpin, the honored pastor awaiting us. Enjoyed the trip greatly and can never forget the beautiful scenery between Jellico and Middleboro. Sister Turpin welcomed us in her usual cordial manner just as she used to welcome us at Danville. We enjoyed a hearty supper and then we were off in a trap to church a distance of a mile away. Found a large and appreciative audience awaiting us, and we were warmly received by all. Rev. Turpin impressively conducted devotional exercises and then introduced us in an appreciative manner. After making a plea for our work the following named persons contributed to the same: Mrs. Ida Turpin \$1.00 for annual membership, brethren King McKenney 65 cents, Foster 60 cents, Wm. Strodger, John Templeton, Martin Templeton, Allen Graam, Charley Wells, sister Mattie Conley, 25 cents each, total \$5.00. We regretted much to leave next morning in the rain but according to appointment we were off at 8 a. m. for London reaching this point at 11 a. m. We found Mrs. and Miss McKee awaiting us and went with them to their home where we were welcomed by each member of the family. After en-

joying a hearty meal we were glad to spend the afternoon resting for we felt quite exhausted. At 8 p. m. we were off for church where a small crowd had assembled. Owing to pastors absence on Sunday it was not generally known that we would visit them. We received from this congregation the sum of \$2.00 Rev. A. E. McKee and sister A. D. McKee contributed 25 cents each. We left on the morning train for Pittsburg and upon reaching that point found our faithful sister Susan Baker there to meet us and accompanied us to her comfortable home. On our way we met brother Patterson also coming to join us. At night a small audience greeted us, after devotional services we were introduced and received the sum \$1.26 Prof. T. M. Faulkner, Mrs. H. Patterson and sister Emma Tinsley 25 cents each. Before leaving we had the pleasure of visiting the school taught by Prof. Faulkner and was glad to find such a bright set of pupils. The trustees are preparing to erect their college building in the near future on their beautiful campus at London, recently purchased, the very suggestion of which broadens the smile of Prof. T. M. Faulkner, their proficient principal.

Leaving at 11 p. m. we were off for Richmond thence to Flanagan enroute to Howards Creek Sunday School Convention here we were assigned to the comfortable home of possibly one of the oldest and best established families in Kentucky viz. brother and sister Robert Bush aged 86 and 84 respectively, the pioneers of the Howards Creek church. This church enjoys the distinction of being the oldest church in Kentucky, being 107 years old. Our stay here was a most delightful one. The convention was a splendid success both spiritually and financially, the president Rev. A. W. Harris the beloved president, was reelected to office with all of his associates. Rev. J. C. Cross the honored pastor spared no pains in the entertainment of all concerned, a time long to be remembered in historic Howards Creek. Saturday night we were given an opportunity to present our claims, although many of the messengers had left and we had almost despaired of having any success whatever we were agreeably surprised to find a packed house Rev. Harris in his usual genial manner introduced us. We spoke at length and presented the claims of our work with all the earnestness of heart and tongue the messengers, members and friends responded by giving a contribution of \$12.45 specified as follows: for annual membership, Rev. A. W. Harris, Bro. Henry Murrell and sister Iva Rollins \$1.00 each, Revs. D. W. Seals, J. H. Lewis, brethren Wm. H. Steward, C. Taylor, B. F. Patterson, Warren Spotts, George Scruggs, Ollie Gentry, John Zeke Bush, Rev. J. C. Cross, sister Jennie Miller, Emma Riley, Susie F. Young, Mr. Evans, Clara Scruggs, Millie Mosby, Mollie Johnson, Mary West, Nina Prewitt and Etta Hampton 25 cents each; Rev. J. F. Wilson again nobly assisted us in a material way by disposing of 80 charts for \$3.00 while we assisted in taking up the collection making a grand total of \$15.45 for which all have our thanks. A society was organized with the following officers: sisters Jan Jane Millon, Iva Rollins and Jennie Harris Presidents; Emma Murray and Fannie Bush Secretaries; Lydia Woodford Treasurer; Lizzie Cross, Mary Gentry and Nina Prewitt Members of the Board of Managers. All entered into the work heartily and we are hopeful of great results. We enjoyed a delightful dinner and spent a pleasant night at the attractive country home of brother John Zeke Bush and family, attended Sunday School Sunday morning and left at 11 a. m. for Otter Creek per appointment.

I remain faithfully yours,  
L. M. JACKSON.

## WORDS OF PRAISE.

I see a brief note in your paper of October 14th that Rev. H. B. Webster, D. D., preached a sermon which was a gem in thought, diction and delivery. It was the one man who fooled me absolutely and completely from the fact I had set Dr. Webster down as one of the slowest preachers in the state of Kentucky, but at the district association he had the doctrinal sermon to preach: brethren it was one of the ablest I think I ever heard from a man's lips. Sometimes you may find a gem in a hog pen. Yet this does not apply at all to Dr. Webster, far his life is full of good deeds, a lovable man, with the modesty of an Andrew Blyth and a J. K. Polk, always seems to be seeking to get out of the way. Such is the great and good man Dr. Webster. No wonder it was a gem; only brilliance

was added to goodness, I am sure he did not seek the committee to get the job. I know some men who go from one association to another to see the Committee on Sermons to get themselves on to preach the next year, and they think they can out preach Dr. Gaddie, but they can't do it. This is my opinion of Dr. Webster. May God bless him to bless others is my prayer.  
R. T. HOFFMAN.

Pittsburg, Pa.

## THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION.

Last Monday Governor Beckham issued the following Thanksgiving Proclamation:

"Commonwealth of Kentucky, Executive Department: Following the action of the President of the United States, I fix Thursday, November 24th, as a day of thanksgiving and prayer throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky. I request that upon that day all of our people shall refrain from their business and worldly cares, and by charitable and religious deeds show their gratitude to Almighty God for His many blessings and bounties to us.

"In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the Commonwealth to be hereunto affixed.

"Done at Frankfort, this 14th day of November, 1904, and in the 113th year of the Commonwealth. By the Governor,  
J. C. W. BECKHAM.  
"H. V. McCassey, Secretary of State."

## UNIVERSITY NOTES.

S. U. Rah, rah, rah, rah.  
S. U. Rah, rah, rah, rah.  
Hurrah! Hurrah!  
State University, rah, rah, rah.

X—O—X

Rev. J. W. Million pastor at Eminence called to see us Tuesday. His remarks were timely and well received. He assured us that Eminence would be heard from in the rally.

Every teacher and student is all astir on the rally question.

The sad news of the death of Mrs. Florence—nee Birney—came to us this week. The students and faculty attended the funeral Wednesday at Quinn Chapel. She was at one time a teacher in our University. The bereaved family have our sympathy.

The team is planning for a game Thanksgiving.

Dr. Purce assisted in communion at Green Street church last Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Steinmetz held a grand meeting in chapel Tuesday.

The ladies attended church at Zion last Sunday.

The Ladies Board will give Dr. and Mrs. Purce a grand reception on the night of December 2nd, in honor of their tenth anniversary of being in "Old Kentucky."

The Executive Board of the General Association, the Board of Trustees, the Alumni and other bodies will have representatives at the reception December 2nd.

Calvary church is being beautified and will soon look like a new church.

The Fifth Street church had a new appearance on Dr. Frank's anniversary appeared within and without. The ordination of six deacons and Rev. Weber there made a good start for a new year.

The Green Street church, under Dr. Gaddie put on a new appearance last Sunday with its new paper and fresh paint. The churches of Louisville are up to date.

Dr. E. J. Fisher of Chicago preached an excellent sermon at Zion church Wednesday night to help Mr. Samuel Duane in his club for the rally. Bro. Duane is a great worker.

Bro. C. M. Hammond returned from West Baden in splendid health and spirit the springs did him good.

Dr. R. H. Keaney is helping Dr. Frank in his revival at Fifth St. church. Much good is being done.

## NOTICE TO ALUMNI.

The graduates of all departments of State University are requested to meet at the University, Tuesday, November 22nd, at 2 o'clock p. m. Business of importance.

C. M. HAMMOND,  
President.

MINNIE NOURSE, Sec'y.

## STATE MISSIONS.

PAPER READ BY REV. C. C. BATES, D. D.  
AT THE CITY M. & D. CONFERENCE.

Missions are enterprises of the Christian church for the conversion of the nations to Christianity by preparing and sending to them teachers called missionaries.

The above definition includes local, state, home and foreign missions, and we decide from it that state missions are enterprises of the Christian church in a state for the conversion of its people to Christianity, by preparing and sending to them teachers called missionaries.

Under the heading "Preparing Teachers" may be included the erecting and supporting of churches, God's greatest and best training schools and the school its strongest auxiliary.

Truly speaking, missions of any kind are simply God's light houses along the shores of time, throwing out rays of the light of the gospel by which men, women and children; who would, others, wander, stumble, fall finally be lost in the darkest of sin; may plainly see the path which leads to an everlasting life, of peace rest and joy.

We do not believe that the commission given by Christ should be set in or out of by geographical lines, but we should strictly obey His command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

When we do this we are truly doing missionary work for taking, sending or in any way making it possible that the gospel be sent thereby carrying out the "Great Commission is the only way to do mission work."

We are, however, afraid that many of those sent out in the name of missionaries, forget the Commission of Christ and go out with another, less suited to them, which is, "go into the cities, towns and soft easy places where we can have a good time, and gather all the money we can."

In carrying out this commission they are failing miserably, but many souls are left groping in darkness, and starving for the gospel as a result.

We do not mean to condemn money gathering, for, even Christ, could or did not wholly dispense with it in perfecting the plan of salvation, and neither can we.

But it should not be the prime and greatest object of our missionaries at the expense of ruined and lost souls.

In short we suggest that those male object: is to gather money be called financial agents, and our missionaries do more of the real work assigned to them by Christ.

Truly "The servant is worthy of his hire and they should be supported and as much as possible by the people on the field, but his work is to save souls, and he should be supported, even though he doesn't raise a cent.

Some people go to the extreme and feel that they have no right to give anything to mission, for they say "The gospel is free."

It is free and so is water, but the bucket, cup or vessel in which it is conveyed, is not free, so it is with the vessel in which the gospel is conveyed.

When Christ was here he told the laborers to begin working in that part of the field where they were abiding, then in the surrounding parts and then to the uttermost parts. (Acts 1:8.)

Then our own states are as much parts of the field as places situated in the heathen lands, and should not be neglected by us, but let us see to it that they are stations for heaven, and that all that dwell therein are passengers for that haven of rest.

The world is the field and our own individual churches, pastors if they be approved of God, are laborers in it, and are precious in his sight, and when we, too, meet our own selfish ends, or for spite, revenge or any satan's promptings, do anything to impede their progress, we are sowing tares, and whatsoever a man soweth that shall he reap.

## Cold Comfort from Doctors.

Doctors say neuralgia is not dangerous. This is poor consolation to a sufferer who feels that as if his face were pierced with hot needles and torn with a thousand pairs of pinchers. A word of advice to him: stay indoors and use Perry Davis' Painkiller. The blessed freedom from pain which follows this treatment cannot be told. There is but one Painkiller, Perry Davis'.

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